



## **BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005**

### **Prairie , Arkansas [05117]**

Prairie is one of 75 counties in Arkansas. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2005 population of 8,965 ranked 68th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2005 Prairie had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$20,172. This PCPI ranked 64th in the state and was 75 percent of the state average, \$26,989, and 58 percent of the national average, \$34,757. The 2005 PCPI reflected a decrease of 13.0 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 4.7 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of Prairie was \$16,167 and ranked 39th in the state. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.1 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2005 Prairie had a total personal income (TPI) of \$180,844\*. This TPI ranked 70th in the state and accounted for 0.2 percent of the state total. In 1995 the TPI of Prairie was \$152,799\* and ranked 64th in the state. The 2005 TPI reflected a decrease of 13.8 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 5.8 percent and the national change was 5.9 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 1.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.0 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Prairie. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 56.9 percent of TPI (compared with 62.6 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 11.2 percent (compared with 14.9 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 31.9 percent (compared with 22.5 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings decreased 23.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 5.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.2 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 0.7 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent decreased on average 1.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.3 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Prairie decreased from \$94,822\* in 2004 to \$61,024\* in 2005, a decrease of 35.6 percent. The 2004-2005 state change was 3.8 percent and the national change was 5.4 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of \$75,112\* to the 2005 estimate was - 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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